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SUBJECT: PRIVATE VISIT TO JAPAN BY SEN. EDWARD M. KENNEDY

1. JAPAN DESK INFORMED BY SENATOR KENNEDY'S OFFICE THAT SENATOR IS SENDING LETTER TO AMBASSADOR MANSFIELD GIVING DETAILS OF HIS PRIVATE VISIT TO JAPAN (AND PRC) IN EARLY DECEMBER. SENATOR WILL STAY IN JAPAN FOR FIVE DAYS AND IN PRC FOR TWO WEEKS. HE HAS ASKED DEPARTMENT TO INDICATE THAT HE IS LOOKING FORWARD VERY MUCH TO SEEING AMBASSADOR MANSFIELD WHILE IN JAPAN.

2. SENATOR'S OFFICE PROVIDED FOLLOWING ADVANCE INFORMATION REGARDING SUGGESTED ITINERARY:

11/30 ARRIVE TOKYO VIA PANAM 801 AT 1440
PROCEED DIRECTLY TO OSAKA VIA JAL 119 AT 1655
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12/1 IN KYOTO

12/2 IN HIROSHIMA

12/3 & 4 IN TOKYO (ARRIVE FROM HIROSHIMA EVENING OF 12/2)

12/5 LEAVE TOKYO VIA JAL 785 AT 0900 FOR SHANGHAI

3. WE UNDERSTAND THAT JAPANESE EMBASSY HERE IS CABLING FONOFF TO ASK ASSISTANCE IN MAKING APPOINTMENTS FOR SEN. WITH PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA, FOREIGN MINISTER HATOYAMA AND OTHER KEY GOJ OFFICIALS. FONOFF NORTH AMERICA DIVISION BEING REQUESTED TO ASSIST EMBASSY TOKYO IN SEEKING APPOINTMENTS FOR SENATOR WITH MEMBERS OF DIET AND REPRESENTATIVES OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUPS. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CONSULT WITH FONOFF REGARDING THESE APPOINTMENTS AND TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE SENATOR.

4. SENATOR KENNEDY IS CONSIDERING POSSIBILITY OF GIVING SPEECH WHILE IN HIROSHIMA ON 12/2, PREFERABLY TO A UNIVERSITY AUDIENCE. (FYI: IN PLANNING TRIP, SENATOR IS OF COURSE TAKING INTO ACCOUNT 1964 TRIP TO TOKYO OF BROTHER ROBERT. PROPOSED SPEECH IN HIROSHIMA WOULD TREAT DISARMAMENT AND RELATED ISSUES.) JAPANESE EMBASSY HAS INFORMALLY SUGGESTED TO SENATOR'S OFFICE THAT BEST APPROACH WOULD BE TO SOUND OUT HIROSHIMA PREFECTURAL OFFICE IN TOKYO REGARDING SUGGESTED SPEAKING APPEARANCE IN HIROSHIMA. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO (A) CONSULT WITH FONOFF ASAP TO DETERMINE WHETHER THEY OR EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE THIS APPROACH TO THE HIROSHIMA PREFECTURAL OFFICE, AND (B) REPORT TO DEPARTMENT RESULTS OF THESE SOUNDINGS.
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5. JAPANESE EMBASSY IS TRANSMITTING SENATOR'S PROPOSED SCHEDULE TO FONOFF WHICH WILL EXPECT APPROACH BY EMBASSY TOKYO REGARDING ABOVE POINTS. SINCE TIME FOR PLANNING AND FIRING SENATOR'S PROGRAM IS SOMEWHAT LIMITED, WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS SOONEST. VANCE

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